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**To MAJOR GENERAL NATHANAEL GREENE**

Head Quarters, December 15, 1778.

Dear Sir: His Excellency is not a little surprised to hear that Count Pulaski's legion has got back to Easton, from whence he will remove them the moment he knows where to send them. Colo. Moylans Regiment is certainly to remain at Lancaster so they cannot go there, and it will not do to send them to Frederick town upon the chance of that place being vacant. If there is a possibility of subsisting them at or near the Minisink His Excellency would order them back, he thinks their coming down is only a pretence to get into more comfortable quarters. Be pleased to enquire of Colo. Biddle whether he has had any representation of the state of Forage in that Country. If he is of opinion that they really cannot be subsisted there, let him name any place where there are no Horse at present and they shall be instantly ordered thither. All our Compliments wait upon Mrs. Greene. I am, etc.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>his letter is signed by Tench Tilghman, and is from a copy in the Tenor transcripts in the Library of Congress made from the original in the Historical Society of Pennsylvania in 1892.